



Flag Day 2010 - It wouldn't have been possible without you!

By Clement Wu

On 3 August earlier this year, freshmen from the National University of Singapore poured into the streets of Singapore in an appeal for donations for 20 charities, as part of NUS Flag Day 2010. The Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine (YLLSOM) managed to collect more than \$39000, a great increase from the previous year's efforts, and was the faculty that made the most outstanding progress. But most importantly, the hard work by the YLLSOM freshmen went a long way in helping the charities support their beneficiaries, and letting the needy know that they are not forgotten.

Traditionally regarded as a one-day affair, Flag Day for the YLLSOM was treated simply as an avenue for freshmen to bond with each other while channeling their youthful energies into a worthy, charitable cause. This year however, the YLLSOM Flag Day committee took an unprecedented approach, in the firm belief that so much more can be done for the beneficiaries than street collections alone. Breaking from the mould, the committee expanded its concept of the event from a simple one-day affair to a multi-faceted campaign spanning fund-raising activities, such as appeals to corporate donors, alumni and staff.

Planning and executing the Flag Day fundraising took place over a period of six months, during which the committee persevered through many late nights, endless phone calls and trip after trip to potential donors. While demanding and at times unrelenting, the new approach to Flag Day also brought everyone involved a great sense of meaning and urgency, as we all believed that none of the effort put in would go to waste. As the faculty saw the fruition of its efforts at the end of Rag and Flag

2010, we were all glad that we could do our small part for our 20 adopted charities.

As Rag and Flag 2010 draws to a close, we look forward to next year's Rag and Flag with much anticipation, as we know that our juniors will bring Medicine's Flag Day efforts to greater heights, and continue to make a difference in the lives of the needy.

On this note, the Flag Day Committee of 2010 would like to thank the following people:

- First and foremost, all our enthusiastic Medical and Nursing freshmen who braved the elements to garner donations for our adopted charities, and by showing the needy that you care
- Our Rag and Flag predecessors who gave us invaluable advice
- The Rag and Flag 2010 Executive Committee with whom we've worked side by side and shoulder to shoulder in our long journey together
- The NUS Medical Society and the Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine Dean's Office for their unwavering support
- And last but certainly not least, our donors, some of whom are listed below, for their kind and generous donations that went a long way in making a difference in the lives of the many children, disabled, elderly and families from disadvantaged backgrounds.

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